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TO: Board of Oil, Gas and Mining
THRU: Ken May, Associate Director
THRU: Lowell Braxton, Administrator
FROM: Frank Filas, Reclamation Engineer,
Holland Shepherd, Reclamation Soils Specialist
RE: Request for Board Concurrence on Revegetation Bond
Release, Crystal Quarry, M/045/010, Tooele County, Utah

The 18 acre Crystal Quarry is located in Mercur Canyon immediately adjacent to the road which leads to the Mercur Mine. The quarry was operated between 1980 and 1983 and subsequently reclaimed in the spring of 1984. All areas, except for the highwalls and solid rock outcrops, were recontoured and seeded.

In the fall of 1986 the Division released all but two acres of the original 18 acres from further reclamation obligation. The two remaining acres showed poor revegetation and the Division requested that they be reseeded. The reclamation bond was reduced to \$1800. at that time.

The operator, McFarland and Hullinger, reseeded the areas showing poor growth in the fall of 1986. An April 28, 1988 inspection by Holland Shepherd and Frank Filas of the Division found that these areas have now obtained adequate vegetative cover. It is therefore, recommended that the revegetation bond of \$1800 be released.

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